

**To disconnect or unhook your OWC Mercury hard drive, follow these important steps**  
**Windows Systems (all versions):** If you wish to disconnect your OWC Mercury drive without shutting down your computer, you need to stop the device with the "Unplug or Eject Hardware" icon, located on the right side of the system tray. Your drive is now safe to power off and unhook.

**Macintosh Systems (all versions):** If you wish to disconnect your OWC Mercury drive without shutting down your computer, simply drag the OWC Mercury drive icon to the trash can on the desktop (or, in the dock using Mac OS X). Your drive is now safe to power off and unhook.

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#### **Backup Software**



To install and use the included backup software for Mac or PC, please insert the software CD and follow the included installation and operation instructions on the CD. Also, all OWC Mercury Storage Solutions work perfectly with Time Machine, a feature of Mac OS 10.5 "Leopard".

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#### **Share your Mac formatted drive with your PC using MacDrive (optional purchase)**

After installing MacDrive, your HFS+ Macintosh volume will mount as if the drive were formatted in a native Windows format. MacDrive allows you to use your OWC Mercury hard drive on either platform without having to reformat or re-initialize the volume. We highly recommend this software for anyone that is sharing data in a cross platform environment.

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#### **Reformatting your OWC Mercury Hard Drive**

To reformat or re-initialize your OWC Mercury hard drive, visit our tech center for directions using the OS you wish to format the drive with.

[http://eshop.macsales.com/tech\\_center/index.cfm?page=data\\_fwdd.html](http://eshop.macsales.com/tech_center/index.cfm?page=data_fwdd.html)

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#### **Notes for use with older Macintosh systems**

If you are using an older Macintosh system, or using a PCI card to interface with the OWC Mercury Elite-AL Pro drive, we recommend using the included Intech Hard Disk SpeedTools to tune the drive for optimum performance. Transfer errors or corruption can be avoided by using this software. This is especially recommended if you are NOT using Mac OS X.

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#### **Warranty Service**

All OWC Mercury Elite-AL solutions include a 2-Year OWC Storage Solution Warranty, which covers all parts and labor. For further benefit, OWC has negotiated on your behalf that at the expiration of the OWC 2-Year Storage Solution Warranty, the drive mechanism within the enclosure will be covered for an additional 1 to 3 years by the mechanism manufacturer. Please note, opening the enclosure prior to the expiration of the 2-Year OWC Storage Solution Warranty will void the warranty. Thank you for selecting Other World Computing as your technology solutions source, we hope you enjoy your product.



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# **OWC** **Mercury Elite Pro**



**OWC Mercury Elite-AL Pro Dual-Drive  
USB 2.0 + USB 2.0 Powered Hub Storage Solution**

## **Owner's Manual**

We thank you for your purchase of your new OWC Mercury Elite-AL Pro Dual-Drive Solution and are happy to provide you with one of the newest, fastest, and easiest ways to add mass storage to your computer!

For more information about USB 2.0, please visit our tech center at:  
[http://eshop.macsales.com/tech\\_center/index.cfm](http://eshop.macsales.com/tech_center/index.cfm)

Before starting, if your new OWC Mercury Elite-AL Pro Dual-Drive Solution is delivered under extreme hot or cold conditions, you should allow the contents of the package to reach room temperature prior to use. Treat your new OWC Mercury Elite-AL Pro just like you do your computer - keep it dry, out of direct sunlight, clean, and avoid static electricity.

### ***Installation / Setup Instructions***

#### ***Macintosh Software Installation:***

**Mac OS X 10.2.8 and later:** - Drivers not required. Proceed to hardware installation.

#### ***Windows Software Installation:***

**Windows - ME & Higher:** Drivers not required. For use with Windows 98SE or ME, it may be necessary to select the drive in the device manager and specify it as a removable drive. Windows 2000/XP users will have to create a signature for the drive in the Computer Management control panel.

Unpack your new OWC Mercury Elite-AL Pro Dual-Drive Solution and examine it's contents.



OEM versions included

Familiarize yourself with the connections on the back of the OWC Mercury Elite-AL Pro Dual-Drive Solution - you will need to use these to connect your new drive to your computer.



The rear of the OWC Mercury Elite-AL Pro Dual-Drive has a number of ports that you will need to use to hook to your computer.

- A power receptacle, hook this to the included power transformer.
- A USB 2.0 uplink port; commonly known as a USB "A" type port.
- 2 USB "B" type ports for peripheral hookup - such as printer, or memory card readers. The hard drive must be powered to use these ports.
- A Kensington Security Slot to secure your drive to a desk if necessary.



The front of the OWC Mercury Elite-AL Pro Dual-Drive solution has 2 LEDs on it that you should recognize. The right yellow LED shows drive activity - and will flash or remain steady while you are reading or writing to the OWC Mercury Elite-AL Pro Dual-Drive solution.

If the left green LED flashes, there may be a problem with one of the internal hard drives, please contact support for assistance. Also, the power button will glow blue when the drive is powered on (not shown in this picture).

#### ***Hardware Installation:***

##### ***Installation of the hardware is simple on any platform.***

1. Plug the AC power cord into the wall and to the DC transformer.
2. Plug the DC power cord into the OWC Mercury Elite-AL
3. Connect the USB 2.0 cable into the drive and computer.
4. Power on the OWC Mercury Elite-AL. The power button is on the front of the drive enclosure, you need to hold it for 3 seconds to turn the drive on or off.

##### ***You're all set Enjoy your new storage device!***

The OWC Mercury Elite-AL Pro Dual Drive USB 2.0 Solution has 1 additional feature.

- Front Push Button Backup (for Mac & PC) - software not included, and not supported by OWC, but some 3rd party backup software can be configured to use this button.